

Remarks

This Response accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) to continue prosecution of the present application.

A final Office Action was mailed October 31, 2007 which rejected all pending claims 21-29. The Applicant filed an after-final Response on December 20, 2007 to present arguments for patentability. The Examiner mailed an Advisory Action on February 5, 2008 which provided a detailed clarification of the Examiner's position with regard to the final rejection.

The Applicant has hereinabove canceled previously pending claims 21-29 and presented new claims 30-49. Support for the newly presented claims can be found including in FIGS. 2-3 as well as at page 4, line 3 to page 5, line 25.

The Applicant respectfully submits that these newly presented claims are merely clarifying in nature and do not narrow or otherwise affect the scope of the claimed subject matter as compared to what was previously presented. The newly presented claims are thus proper, do not introduce new matter, and serve to place the application in proper condition for reconsideration and allowance.

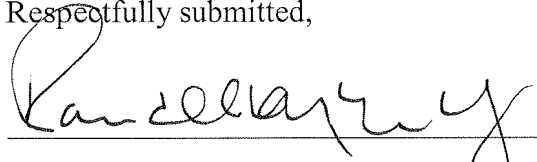
Conclusion

The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims pending in the application. This Response along with the accompanying RCE are intended to be a complete response to the final Office Action mailed October 31, 2007.

Should any questions arise concerning this response, the Examiner is invited to contact the below signed Attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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